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C—Chorus (secular).

O—Oratorio-cantata-opera form.

M—Men's voices.

W—Women's voices.

J—Junior choir.

3—Three-part, etc.

4—4—Partly 4-part plus, etc.

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A—Ascension. N—New Year.

C—Christmas. P—Palm Sunday.

E—Easter. S—Special.

G—Good Friday T—Thanksgiving.

L—Lent.

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c.q.cq.qc.—Chorus, quartet, chorus (preferred) or quartet, quartet (preferred) or chorus.

s.f.b.h.l.m.—Soprano, alto, tenor, bass, high-voice, low-voice, medium-voice solo (or duets etc. if hyphenated)

o.u.—Organ accompaniment, or unaccompanied.

e.d.m.v.—Easy, difficult, moderately, very

3p—3 pages, etc.

3p—3-part writing, etc.

Af.Bm.Cs.—A-flat, B-minor, C-sharp.

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a—Alto solo.

q—Quartet.

b—Bass solo.

r—Response.

c—Chorus.

s—Soprano.

d—Duet.

t—Tenor.

h—Harp.

u—Unaccompanied.

j—Junior choir.

v—Violin.

m—Men's voices

w—Women's voices.

o—Organ.

3p—3 pages, etc.

p—Piano.

3p—3-part, etc.

Hyphenating denotes duets, etc.

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THE AMERICAN ORGANIST

May, 1942

North Texas State Teachers College

By JOHN McINTIRE

NORTH Texas State Teachers College was founded in 1890 as the Texas Normal College. From 1890 to 1901 it operated as a privately-owned institution. The 27th Texas legislature provided an annual appropriation for the support of the College, beginning September 1901. In 1914 the curriculum was reorganized so that a standard four-year Bachelor's program could be offered, and the first degrees were awarded in the spring of 1919. Since then the College has granted 7570 Bachelor's degrees. Graduate work was begun in 1935, and 448 Master's degrees have been granted since that time. In 1923 the name was changed to the North Texas State Teachers College.

The College was admitted in 1939 to the National Association of Schools of Music and in 1940 to the Association of American Universities. With a student-body of over 3,000 and a faculty of two hundred the North Texas State Teachers College is a vital factor for education in the Southwest.

As old as the College itself, the music department of the N.T.S.T.C. was established as a Conservatory of Music in 1890. The bulletin for that year announced a "full course in music, embracing both piano and voice." J. C. Chilton (first president of the College) and John M. Moore (later Bishop Moore of the Methodist Church) together with Mrs. E. J. McKissack, composed the first music faculty.

By 1896 the work had been expanded to include instruction in piano, organ, mandolin, cornet, and violin. Music clubs became popular on the campus, and the director of the music department conducted one for players of mandolin and guitar.

In 1914 Lillian Parrill was made director of the music department. From 1914 to 1938 Miss Parrill brought about a gradual development in standards of excellence. In 1938 an expansion program was undertaken for the music department, and Wilfred C. Bain was made director. He was a member of the Westminster Choir, and a graduate of the Westminster Choir College. He holds the M.A. and Ed.D. degrees from New York University.

The music department of N.T.S.T.C. is upholding the two traditions dearest to the hearts of all Texans—those of pioneering and of developing the best in every particular field for Texans. There is no additional cost for applied music at N.T.S.T.C. beyond the regular tuition rates. The social and scholastic functions of the department are enhanced by chapters of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national music fraternity for men, and Sigma Alpha Iota, national professional music sorority for women.

Under Dr. Bain's leadership the department has grown from about fifty majors to three hundred. In February 1941

The head of the organ department tells of the history of one of the most active educational institutions of the largest state in the union and gives details of its development in both organ and choral departments, with two organs added last year.

a new \$100,000. music building was opened on the campus. In a short time even this building proved not to be large enough to house a variety of department activities. There are now, in addition, one brick building and four nearby frame buildings in full-time use by the music department.

An adequate music library is one of the essential tools in a music school, and the Library of N.T.S.T.C. has been most cooperative in making a really distinguished collection in this field. At present the holdings in music (in round numbers) of the Library are 2,000 books on music subjects, 3,000 scores, and 2,500 phonograph records.

The emphasis on choral music at N.T.S.T.C. in addition to the facilities for organ training creates the ideal curriculum for organists and church musicians. Every student in the department who is not a member of the College Orchestra is required to attend weekly choral rehearsals. This forms a chorus of about 250 voices, which with the assistance of the 70-piece student orchestra performed last year the complete "St. Matthew Passion" and the "B-Minor Mass" in a three-day Bach festival. This year the outstanding experience for the chorus was the engagement on a professional basis by the Dallas Symphony and the Houston Symphony for performances of Beethoven's Ninth (Choral) Symphony. The A-Cappella Choir, 45 voices, under Dr. Bain's direction, has made a distinguished record as a concert organization in the Southwest. Since its organization in 1938 the choir has made 170 appearances, including 20 broadcasts. It has traveled over 18,000 miles, singing to audiences in Oklahoma, Kansas, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Texas. The Chapel Choir, 45 voices, organized in 1940, serves as a training field for prospective members of the A-Cappella Choir. Both groups work on the same repertoire so that members may be transferred back and forth as deemed best.

The organ activities at N.T.S.T.C. are numerous and varied. During the 1940-41 season seven organ recitals were given by the faculty, graduating students, and visiting artists, beside the frequent appearances by organ students on the weekly departmental recitals.

Each season since the present incumbent took over, the organ work has been marked by a special series of organ recitals

of an educational nature. In 1939-40 he played three historical recitals. In 1940-41 the series centered on music for the organ by American composers. This year he gave programs on the forms most common in organ literature.

The teaching of organ at N.T.S.T.C. was for many years under the direction of Mary Anderson. During the last few years of Miss Anderson's work in the organ department, Gladys Kelso of the piano faculty, who was a pupil in organ of Dr. Clarence Dickinson, assisted. In 1939 both Miss Anderson and Miss Kelso decided to devote their entire time to piano instruction and I was added to the staff to teach organ.

During the spring semester and the summer-school of the 1940-41 session Charles H. Finney, who came to the College in February 1940 as an instructor in piano and theory, also taught organ; in September 1941 Mr. Finney went to Friends University. Organ instruction at N.T.S.T.C. is at present entirely in the hands of the writer who also teaches harmony, ear-training, sight-singing, counterpoint, and form.

The organ class grew rapidly after the opening of the 1939-40 session and it soon became necessary to add practise facilities beyond the one organ in the auditorium which the College possessed at that time. The Baptist and Presbyterian churches in Denton made their organs available, but because of poor heating during the winter season, and because of distance from the campus, the College in August 1941 ordered two practise organs to be made a part of the permanent equipment of the music department.

There arose then the problem of stoplists for practise instruments within a rather limited budget. The usual Stopped Flute and Salicional combination seemed quite inadequate to the general needs of organ literature, because the resulting ensemble was poor and the borrowed upperwork was often

almost ridiculous. It was decided that both practise instruments should be three ranks, and the basic ranks were made a Spitzfloete voiced toward the foundational side (a little like a Diapason Conique) and a Salicional voiced with the color of an Aeoline but on the scale of a Salicional. These two ranks, both tending to be foundational yet retaining something of the flute-string contrast, made a well-blended backbone of tone that the Stopped Flute and stringy Salicional never could have provided.

The need for a three-manual practise organ is obvious, as much of the literature of the instrument cannot be adequately prepared on two manuals. A happy thought for the three-manual was the inclusion of dummy pistons (activating ones were beyond the budget) spaced and numbered to correspond exactly to the auditorium organ. Every organist knows the importance of "practising" piston registration. The third



FROM BEGINNING TO END

Or from the ground up: pupils study in library's music division, work hard in the new music building, and then give a concert.



THE LIBRARY BUILDING
proves that North Texas State Teachers College at Denton has an eye for beauty as well as for practical utility

rank in the three-manual was made a Dulciana, voiced toward a Dolce Flute. The ensemble resulting from these three moderately loud ranks (Spitzfloete, Salicional, Dolce) gives a remarkable illusion of true foundation tone. The mutations have worked out particularly well.

The third rank in the two-manual was made a 4' Principal, duplexed on both manuals but not unified. The resulting ensemble is clear and brilliant. Both these practise instruments represent an encouraging experiment on what may be done in the small unified ensemble with the proper voicing and selection of ranks.

The auditorium organ built in 1924 reflected in its original design some of the regrettable practises that plagued most organs of that decade. In 1940 certain changes were made in an attempt to bring it up to date and give it a better ensemble. As it stands it has reasonably good build-up and full-organ tone, a good Pedal (the 4' and 2' flutes are most valuable as are the 4' manual-to-pedal couplers), more independent mutation colors than could be found in many organs of today, a beautiful string ensemble (probably the outstanding feature of the original voicing) and good orchestral reeds.

DENTON, TEXAS
 N. T. S. TEACHERS COLLEGE
Wicks Organ Co.
Installed, fall of 1941
 V-3. R-3. S-31. B-28. P-267.
 PEDAL: S-9.

16 *Spitzfloete*
 8 *Spitzfloete*
Salicional
Dulciana
 5 1/3 *Dulciana*
 4 *Spitzfloete*
Salicional
 2 2/3 *Salicional*
 2 *Spitzfloete*
 GREAT: V-3. R-3. S-9.
 EXPRESSIVE
 16 *Salicional tc*
 8 **SPITZFLOETE 97-16'**
 SALICIONAL 85m
 DULCIANA 85m
 5 1/3 *Dulciana*
 4 *Spitzfloete*
 2 2/3 *Salicional*
 2 *Spitzfloete*
 1 1/3 *Salicional*
 SWELL: S-7.
 16 *Dulciana tc*
 8 *Salicional*
Dulciana
 4 *Spitzfloete*
Salicional
 2 2/3 *Salicional*
 2 *Salicional*
 CHOIR: S-6.
 8 *Salicional*
Dulciana
 4 *Salicional*
Dulciana
 2 *Spitzfloete*
 1 1/3 *Dulciana*
 Crescendos 2: Shutters. Register.
 Dummy pistons installed for practise
 purposes in theoretical registration
 changes.

DENTON, TEXAS
 N. T. S. TEACHERS COLLEGE
Wicks Organ Co.

Installed, fall of 1941
 V-3. R-3. S-27. B-24. P-243.
 PEDAL: S-8.
 16 *Spitzfloete*
 8 *Spitzfloete*
Salicional
 5 1/3 *Salicional*
 4 *Principal*
Spitzfloete
 2 2/3 *Salicional*
 2 *Spitzfloete*
 GREAT: V-3. R-3. S-12.
 EXPRESSIVE
 16 *Salicional tc*
 8 **SPITZFLOETE 97-16'**
 SALICIONAL 85m
 4 **PRINCIPAL 61m**
Spitzfloete
 2 2/3 *Salicional*
 2 *Spitzfloete*
Salicional
 1 3/5 *Salicional*

1 1/3	<i>Salicional</i>	4	<i>Principal</i>
1	<i>Salicional</i>	2 2/3	<i>Salicional</i>
IV	<i>Mixture</i>	2	<i>Spitzfloete</i>
SWELL:	S-7.	1 3/5	<i>Salicional</i>
			<i>Salicional</i>



THE A-CAPPELLA CHOIR
directed by Dr. Wilfred C. Bain of the faculty as posed for a photograph reproduced throughout the country.

CHOIR REPERTOIRE
 A-CAPPELLA CHOIR

Bach, Come Jesu come
 Sing ye to the Lord
 Borchers, Joy

Cain, Ole Ark's a-moverin
 Roll chariot roll
 Say thou lovest me
 Spirit of the Lord done fell
 Christiansen, In Dulci Jubilo
 Praise the Lord
 Dickinson, Shepherds' Story
 ar.Fisher, Goin Home
 Foster, Oh Susanna
 Gatewood, Poor wayfaring stranger
 Gretchaninoff, Holy radiant Light
 Grieg, Jesus Friend of sinners
 Harris, Tears
 Jones, Love divine
 Kern, Ol' man river
 Kodaly, Evening
 Jesus and the traitors
 Lockwood, Lullaby for Christmas
 Lotti, Crucifixus
 Mendelssohn, Judge me Oh God
 ar.Mueller, Mighty Fortress
 Nevin, Shepherd on the hills
 Powell, Soldier
 Robinson, Ballad for Americans
 Water-Boy
 Tchaikowsy, How blest are they
 Vantor, Sweet Suffolk owl
 Willoughby, Joseph came seeking
 York, Sing we all Noel

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

Bortniansky, Lo a voice to heaven
 Clokey, A Snow Legend
 Cui, Radiant stars above
 ar.Davis, Tiritomba
 Diack, Son of Mary
 Dowland, Come again sweet love
 ar.Geer, In Dulci Jubilo
 Gevaert, Slumber of Infant Jesus
 Gibbons, Silver Swan
 Lasso, Adoramus Te
 Makarow, An angel said to Mary
 Morely, Sing we and chant it
 Moussorgsky, Chorus of Maidens
 Nicholas, Response to a prayer
 ar.Taylor, May-Day Carol
 Wake thee now dearest
 ar.Trearne, I wonder when
 Weekes, Strike it up Tabor



THREE RANKS—THREE MANUALS
Mr. McIntire plays the N.T.S.T.C. Wicks built for complete technical practise facilities even including dummy pistons.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS AND REVIEWS

In which the members of the profession and industry speak for themselves through the record of their actions and thus provide food for thought on topics of current importance to the world of the organ.

Choirs in General

AFTER waiting a year I heard Mr. Willard Irving Nevins do the second half of Bach's "B-Minor Mass" in the First Presbyterian, New York, the delay being due to circumstances beyond my control; Mr. Nevins makes the "B-Minor" an annual feature. The First Presbyterian is the Old First, founded in 1716 and now unique among New York City churches in that it occupies a complete Fifth Avenue block, sharing it with no other structure; I doubt if there are more than two others doing likewise in the entire length of the Avenue.

Dr. William C. Carl first made the Old First musically famous, and there also his Guilmant Organ School had its quarters. Upon Dr. Carl's death, Mr. Nevins, his assistant, became director of the School, and soon thereafter was appointed organist of the Old First. Originally a Roosevelt organ graced the rear gallery and the choir sang there. Later the Roosevelt was swallowed up and now the organ is buried in chambers in the front corners of the auditorium, the choristers sitting in central position, facing the congregation through open windows in grille-work, looking out across the pulpit platform. The organist sits in central position, his back to the minister's back, grille-work between them, hidden from view of the congregation but in full view of his choir. A good Episcopalian would shudder at this arrangement, just as some of the good old Presbyterians still shudder at anything Episcopalian. You take your choice and like it.

One thing I never did figure out about this service was why people continued to arrive in such good numbers for more than an hour after the service started. The calendar printed the text in Latin in which it was sung and beside it an English translation. When a soloist had something to do, he or she came out of the ranks, down to the front of the choir section, faced the congregation and sang. There again the Episcopalians shudder and the Presbyterians applaud; you take your choice and like it.

Last year it seemed best to note some over-accompanying of the chorus while Mr. Nevins was conducting. This time it is therefore necessary to record improvement in that direction. Mr. Nevins accompanied his soloists, an assistant accompanied the chorus. The choir numbers about three dozen paid voices and did some excellent work, not merely in singing correctly and expressively, which certainly must be taken for granted in every paid choir today, but also tonally; especially pleasing was the soprano tone Mr. Nevins has developed. Good choir-tone depends not so much on the voices hired as it does on what the organist takes time to do in developing a satisfactory ensemble. Some months ago I would have considered it foolish to remind anyone of this, but in the meantime I heard a choir with such bad soprano tone that it gave me a jolt; it was not in any of the churches I've commented on in this column this season or last.

Turning to accompanying again, it seems to me we are thinking entirely too much of volume when we should be thinking of color. Volume, whether in comparatively large or small doses, has a tendency to obscure the voice lines, whereas color has the property of clarifying those lines and making both them and the accompaniment all the more tell-

ing. I am not saying this because of anything heard in the Old First but from the sum total of hearings covering a dozen festival services this season. Volume accompanying in Bach was often a failure but every time color accompanying was used it was completely captivating. We must remember that all Bach's major choral works were written for accompaniment by instrumental groups. Neither his choirs nor orchestras were large; such was Bach's peculiar genius that his music still sounds best when done by comparatively small groups. Choirs and orchestras approaching or passing the hundred mark are, to my taste, nice circus stunts but abominations to sensitive ears trying to get the message Bach put into his notes. Such is our potential public that most of us are compelled to announce a chorus of hundreds of voices or we won't get an audience.

Large choirs fail of their own inherent faults. First, no one church is wealthy enough to employ much more than fifty or sixty competent paid voices; in New York City there are only two to my knowledge that pass the fifty mark; the others do superb work with smaller choruses. In the second place, no one parish or community can provide a large group of competent voices for any choirmaster; it can't be done. If we force the issue and try it anyway, we lower the standard; it's unfortunate that we don't even realize for ourselves how much we've lowered that standard by going in for numbers. Some church officials give their organists no other choice: either drag in the mob or get out and let some other man do it.

I still like Bach's cantatas, "Mass," and "St. Matthew" above all other choral works with but rare exceptions—such as that remarkable cantata by Dr. Joseph W. Clokey. For the anthems and smaller works, such few things of Bach as I have heard leave no particular appeal; other composers, many of them still living, have supplied an abundance of grand materials.

Personally I go back to Dr. John Finley Williamson and give him the major portion of the credit for America's advance in choir music. It was he who first condemned our foolish emphasis on organ music in the service and by precept centered it on choirs. We all first said Hooray, then we said Darn, and finally we came around to saying Right. Some of us went to him to learn how, while others of us determined to correct our own wrongs; in each case the result was such improvement that innumerable choirs all over our land are now doing not merely creditable but excellent work.

—t.s.b.—

Last year I sat up in the choirloft with Mr. Ernest White and experienced, under his tutelage, one of his unusual *tenebrae* services; this year I decided to try it unaided, as a member of the congregation down in the pews. The result was the same. A tremendously impressive service I knew had some bearing on the solemnities of Holy Week, even if I didn't understand the words (almost all in English; blame it on echo). And the impressiveness was all on the right side.

We can't go into a service like that and seek entertainment, nor even remember that we'd like to get out sooner or later to take a walk and smoke a cigar. We must live exclusively in and for that one service of the moment, with no thoughts of anything else. Anyone able to do that and experiencing a *tenebrae* service as conducted by Mr. White (clergymen are

banished entirely there and then) will probably find it as worthwhile as I did. I tried to tell the details of it in May 1941 so will not repeat here.

It took a quarter of a century to educate congregation and choir to such services; it surprises me that it's taken only a few years of occasional attendance at St. Mary's to educate me to it. Maybe I'm not so hopeless as Mr. Donald S. Barrows fears after all. He gives me credit for being on the right track, looking in the right direction; I think I am. I wish more of my readers were too; because they can't gad about for themselves, like I can, these reports are written.

—T.S.B.

Two Organs—One Idea

Namely to get the greatest versatility with limited resources

HEREWITH are two stoplists and brief comments from the organists involved. As both instruments came from the same factory, comparisons thereby avoid the major pitfall. As every organist knows, one 16' Pedal stop in any organ is insufficient; it's too loud for the quiet voices, too quiet for full-organ. The dual-tone pipe, at least for the bottom octave, is the most economical among the various possible answers. Hence the Sac City Pedal with three 16's sets the pace.

COMPARISON OF CONTENT

CHURCH	RESIDENCE
16 Bourdon 44	8 Diapason 73
16 Diapason 85	16 Bourdon 85
8 English Diapason 73	4 Harmonic Flute 61
8 Violin Diapason 73	8 Viole d'Orchestre 73
16 Bourdon 97	4 Viole Celeste 61
8 Gedecktpommer 73	8 Salicional 85
8 Melodia 73	4 S. Celeste 61
8 Salicional 73	8 English Horn 73
8 Aeoline 85	8 Chimes 20
8 Dulciana 85	
8 Cornopean 73	

Thus a church with several hundred families to pay the bill gets only three ranks more than the organist with only one family to pay; congratulations to the Arnolds for getting so much. Ensemble in a straight organ draws on a good percentage of the stops; on a unit it draws only a small minority. Units are built not for ensemble but for variety in solo effects. These two stoplists are worth study. What their respective organists think of them is told here with the co-operation of the Wicks office.

The console of the church organ has its stop tongues in three groups, two rows; left to right: Pedal, Swell, Great. In central position between the upper rows of Swell and Great is the register-crescendo and full-organ indicator, the former running through a string of eight lights, marked from ppp to fff, and in color sequence thus: white, amber, green, red (all in the upper row), amber, green, red, blue (in the lower). Beneath this light-indicator set are the three couplers. In the left keycheeks are switches enabling the organist to operate at will the Pedal combons from manual combons of like number.

The Residence Organ, by Edna Arnold

A few years ago when Mr. Arnold and I built a new home we prepared space for an organ, consisting of a small alcove approximately 5' deep, 9' wide, with an average ceiling height of 9' 6". Day after day I would view this space, wondering when my dream for an organ would come true. It was realized a few months ago when Joseph Weickhardt did the final finishing of the Wicks organ in early December.

Mr. Arnold purchased a number of books relating to organ

construction and specifications; we studied the contents diligently for some time and in July 1941 decided to drive to Highland, Ill., to see what the Wicks Organ Co. might have to offer. We wanted a residence organ with a good ensemble, but I also wanted variety and a wealth of tone color. Our tastes were outlined to the builder and we started to work on the specifications.

The Diapason is a fine foundation voice, yet serving splendidly for solos; it is well voiced and gives the feeling of solidity. I suppose the Stopped Flute [Bourdon] is more or less conventional; it was kept on the bright side. The crowning glory of the organ is its fine strings, and the English Horn. From the delicate Echo Salicional to the Viole d'Orchestre, with these strings playable at pitches from 16' to 2', I get a string ensemble which is positively amazing. The scale varies from Salicional 58 to Viole 68. We wanted the 2 2/3' and 2' taken from the Salicional because they are more effective than when drawn from a flute. It is difficult to describe the thrill I derive from playing all these strings. I feel that they are very essential in any residence organ. The English Horn is one of the finest solo voices I have ever heard, and yet it has a certain amount of brilliance which makes it heard in the ensemble.



MRS. J. W. ARNOLD
at the console of the organ installed in her Culman, Ala., residence by
the Wicks Organ Co. in December 1941.

The 4' Harmonic Flute was added to provide a flute tone to contrast with the Bourdon; it is extremely useful in many respects.

The Pedal Organ may appear weak, judged solely by its stoplist, but it is ample because of the scaling of the pipes and dimensions of the chamber. We followed the builder's instructions to the letter, finishing the chamber in the material specified.

The crescendo is far better than we ever expected. The opening is comparatively small but the builders say we are getting unusually fine results because of the hard surfaces of the chamber walls, ceiling, and floor. Blower and Tremulant are located in the basement directly beneath the organ. The Roman arch in the tone-opening is filled in with a white oak grille, finished to match our trim; console is done in brown mahogany.

There must be many organists who feel as I did, that one cannot obtain a fine organ without spending a fabulous sum of money. To them I wish to say that we were agreeably surprised to find how much organ we received for such a reasonable amount of money. The instrument exceeds our expectations by a great deal. We find it a source of great pleasure and personal satisfaction. Our friends like it; we have had over three hundred guests in to hear it and all are enthusiastic. We are very happy with it.

The Church Organ, by Charles H. Lawrence
In preparing the stoplist for our new organ I was at grips with the old problem of providing an instrument for classic

CULLMAN, ALA.	
J. W. ARNOLD RESIDENCE	
Wicks Organ Co.	
Installed, December 1941	
V-8. R-8. S-37. B-28. P-572.	
PEDAL: V-0. R-0. S-8.	
16 <i>Bourdon (S)</i>	
8 <i>Diapason (G)</i>	
<i>Bourdon (S)</i>	
<i>Viole d'Orchestre (G)</i>	
<i>Salicional (S)</i>	
4 <i>Diapason (G)</i>	
<i>Bourdon (S)</i>	
8 <i>English Horn (G)</i>	
GREAT: V-5. R-5. S-14.	
EXPRESSIVE	
16 <i>Salicional tc (S)</i>	
8 <i>DIAPASON 73</i>	
<i>Bourdon (S)</i>	
<i>V. D'ORCHESTRE 73</i>	
<i>VIOLE CELESTE tc 61</i>	
<i>Salicional (S)</i>	
<i>S. Celeste (S)</i>	
4 <i>Diapason</i>	
<i>FLUTE h 61</i>	
<i>Bourdon (S)</i>	
<i>Salicional (S)</i>	
8 <i>ENGLISH HORN 73</i>	
4 <i>English Horn</i>	
8 <i>CHIMES 20</i>	
<i>Tremulant</i>	
SWELL: V-3. R-3. S-15.	
16 <i>BOURDON 85</i>	
8 <i>Bourdon</i>	
<i>Viole d'Orchestre (G)</i>	
<i>Viole Celeste (G)</i>	
<i>SALICIONAL 85</i>	
<i>S. CELESTE tc 61</i>	
4 <i>Bourdon</i>	
<i>Flute h (G)</i>	
<i>Viole d'Orchestre (G)</i>	
<i>Viole Celeste (G)</i>	
<i>Salicional</i>	
<i>Salicional Celeste</i>	
2 2/3 <i>Salicional</i>	
2 <i>Salicional</i>	

8 <i>English Horn (G)</i>	ENGLISH DIA. 73
<i>Tremulant</i>	MELODIA 73
<i>Combons 6: GP-3. SP-3.</i>	GEDECKTPOMMER 73
<i>Crescendos 2: PGS. Register.</i>	<i>Bourdon (S)</i>
<i>Cancels 2: GP. SP.</i>	DULCIANA 85
<i>Fixed Pistons 1: Synthetic 8'</i>	<i>Diapason</i>
<i>Oboe on Swell.</i>	<i>English Diapason</i>
In this stoplist, as in all others in these pages, the name of the parent register is applied to all stops borrowed from it. The division of registers between the two organs is purely arbitrary, arranged by T.A.O. as seems most logical, in the absence of any indications from the builders; its content will be easiest identified in such a presentation.	<i>Melodia</i>
The t.c. registers when appearing as stops have their bottom octaves filled in by borrowing from the in-tune rank.	<i>Gedecktpommer</i>
	<i>Bourdon (S)</i>
	<i>Dulciana</i>
2 2/3	<i>Dulciana</i>
2	<i>Dulciana</i>
16	<i>Cornopean tc (S)</i>
8	<i>Cornopean (S)</i>
4	<i>Cornopean (S)</i>
8	<i>CHIMES 20</i>
	<i>Tremulant</i>
	SWELL: V-5. R-5. S-21.
16	<i>Violin Diapason tc</i>
	<i>BOURDON 97</i>
	<i>Salicional tc</i>
	<i>Aeoline tc</i>
8	<i>VIOLIN DIA. 73</i>
	<i>Bourdon</i>
	<i>SALICIONAL 73</i>
	<i>Dulciana (G)</i>
	<i>AEOLINE 85</i>
	<i>Violin Diapason</i>
	<i>Bourdon</i>
	<i>Salicional</i>
	<i>Dulciana (G)</i>
	<i>Aeoline</i>
2 2/3	<i>Bourdon</i>
	<i>Aeoline</i>
	<i>Bourdon</i>
	<i>Aeoline</i>
III	<i>Aeoline</i>
8	<i>CORNOPEAN 73</i>
	<i>Cornopean</i>
	<i>Tremulant</i>
	Couplers 3: G-P. S-P. S-G.
	Combons 12: GP-4. SP-4. Tutti-4.
	Crescendos 3: G. S. Register.
	Reversibles 1: Full-Organ.
	Cancels 3: G. S. Tutti.



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and modern repertoire, with limited funds and space available. Actual use has proved this one a joy in its variety and richness.

Fine ensembles at various dynamic levels were of prime importance. Here there are three ranks each of Diapasons, flutes, and strings—Diapason, English Diapason, Violin Diapason; Melodia, Bourdon, Gedecktpommer; Dulciana, Salicional, Aeoline—of nicely varied strength and quality. They give a wide choice of delicately shaded and properly balanced ensembles within each tone quality; when mixing colors the results are equally appealing and of a variety seldom found even in much larger organs.

Modern repertoire requires good solo voices and combinations, but on this point I was guided by my personal conviction that solo reeds, while most desirable, are overused. I often wish recitalists would use their exotic colors with more reserve. The usual synthetic 'Oboe' (8' Salicional and 2 2/3' flute) is impossible to my ear because of the improper dynamic relation of fundamental and overtone. But the soft Aeoline and Dulciana twelfths with the Salicional, flutes, and softer Diapasons do provide a variety of fine solo combinations comparable to good reeds and less tiring to the ear.

Having actually used this stoplist there are surprisingly few changes I would make. The greater usefulness of the Aeoline

unification over the more usual Celeste is without question, as is also the use of the three flutes instead of two flutes and a solo reed. The chorus reed is definitely desirable for fortissimo passages. I would however weigh carefully the relative merits of the 16' Diapason extension against a Celeste or a soft solo reed.

The Wicks action makes such unification as this economically feasible, and in addition to mechanical considerations I find the voicing of finest quality both for solo and ensemble use.

SPECIAL SUMMER COURSES

Facts About Special Courses Offered Organists This Summer

Index of Current Summer Courses

- Herewith is a summary of the summer courses advertised and described in previous pages for the current season:

Dalcroze School, full course, rhythm accented, organ with Carl Weinrich; New York, July 6 to Aug. 15; Feb. page 39. Grace Leeds Darnell, junior-choir work; New York, June 15 to 25; March page 71; April 102.

Guilmant Organ School, organ, choir-work, theory; New York, July 7 to Aug. 7; Jan. page 2; Feb. 37; March 66.

Hartford Choir School, choir-work, organ; Hartford, Conn., Aug. 24 to 29; April page 120.

Juilliard School of Music, church music, organ with Hugh Porter; New York, July 6 to Aug. 14; April page 100.

Peabody Conservatory, full course, organ with Dr. Charles M. Courboin; Baltimore, Md., June 22 to Aug. 1; April page 119.

Edith E. Sackett, junior-choir work; Bangor, Maine, Aug. 24 to 28; Norfolk, Conn., Aug. 3 to 7; New York, Sept. 1 to 11; April page 99.

Westminster Choir College, specializing in choir-work, organ lessons with Dr. Alexander McCurdy; Los Angeles, June 29 to July 16; Northfield, Mass., July 21 to Aug. 9; April page 101.

Junior-Choir Courses by Miss Darnell

- Miss Darnell will follow the tried & proved methods developed in the Flemington Childrens Choir School, and in addition to her own intensive course, elsewhere announced in these pages, she will give a shorter course in the Juilliard Summer School. In her own courses the students will be given opportunity to practise teaching the laboratory choir organized for demonstration purposes. Miss Darnell in early April lectured on junior choirs for the North Carolina Council of Churches, at Burlington, N.C. Hours of her New York course are 9:00 to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:00, daily excepting Sunday.

Juilliard Summer School

- Hugh Porter will give two half-hour private lessons and two one-hour class lessons each week, supplemented by work in keyboard harmony; registrants are requested to consult with Mr. Porter in advance of the course as to a preparatory program of study. Those who want to study interpretation but do not have time for the necessary practise can arrange for admission to certain of the organ classes in that branch of the art. Mr. Porter will also instruct in choral music, dealing with chanting, hymns, canticles, anthem repertoire, problems of adapting Handel accompaniments to the organ, vocal consideration of "The Messiah," etc. In addition to Mr. Porter's courses Grace Leeds Darnell will give a course on junior-choir work.

Junior-Choir Courses by Miss Sackett

- From headquarters in New York City Miss Sackett has been recently concentrating on a junior choir of about thirty children in Norfolk, who will participate in her course there. Due to war conditions the dates of her Bangor and Norfolk courses have been changed, as noted elsewhere in these pages. All three courses will "be conducted along the lines of previous years: child psychology, voice culture, organization, plan-

ning and conducting rehearsals, repertoire, and demonstration rehearsals. The course climaxes in teaching a group of totally untrained children in rehearsals conducted first by Miss Sackett and then by members of the summer-course class. Some 250 graduates of the course are now training approximately 4500 children."

Anthem Index-Cards

As used by Ascension Lutheran Choirs, Milwaukee

• When compiling the repertoire of the choirs of Ascension Lutheran for the article published in September 1940 T.A.O., Walter O. Luedtke, chairman of the music committee of this unusually active church, "evolved a mimeographed card which was used in making up the repertoire for that article. The card-index of our anthems has since proved useful in such a variety of ways that we had one thousand cards printed for future use and are enclosing a sample with the thought that the idea may be of some use to T.A.O. readers.

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REMARKS			

"The cards are filed alphabetically according to anthem titles. In a few minutes we can go through the cards and pick out all music by certain composers, or anthems with Biblical texts, or that require accompaniment, or are used only by the senior choir, etc. A glance at the card will convince you of the possibilities of such an index. We can tell how many copies of an anthem are in our library, and if more are needed we have the publisher's name, his catalogue number, and the price. The value of our entire library can easily be computed for insurance purposes.

"Under 'Remarks' and on the reverse side of the card we put additional information—such as some specific Sunday of the liturgical year for which the anthem would be particularly appropriate. All the anthems of our three choirs are combined in one alphabetical file."

Mr. Luedtke's card is 4x6, greatly reduced in the accompanying reproduction; it is printed on one side only, the reverse being left blank. A detail of printing such cards if they are to be used in the typewriter is to have sufficient margin top and bottom to permit clean typing near the edges. It will be noted that cards of this type permit cross-indexing, if desired, so that the complete anthem library could be indexed by title, by composer, by text, by occasion, by choral forces required, or by any other similarly useful method; the initial cost of printing comes from setting the type and preparing the run, so that the final cost of five or six thousand would not be so very much greater than that of the first thousand.

In this connection the complete set of abbreviations used in all T.A.O.'s review pages will be found invaluable; they are fully explained on the index-page of each issue and once learned are easy to remember and apply. We suggest those used in T.A.O. before the composer's name be put at the top left of the card, and those used in T.A.O. after the name of the composer be put at the top right. Each organist will determine for himself whether he wants to use a-cappella to mean, as it invariably did in classic literature, in chapel style, or misuse it into implying unaccompanied.

To indicate accurately the number of parts offers consider-

able difficulty. In some anthems only a few chords here and there call for more than four voices; in others there are passages where a solo voice sings against the rest of the choir. The method used in T.A.O. generally ignores the occasional measures with doubling of voices and is rather inclined to place little emphasis on most of the current attempts at a multitude of notes, vertically. They can safely be classed as hopeful rather than productive. Our thanks to Mr. Luedtke for contributing a sample of his card to these pages.—ED.



Applying for One

By ROWLAND W. DUNHAM
Associate Editor, Church Department

READERS have requested advice regarding the best way to obtain a position as organist in a church where there might be opportunity to accomplish something worth while and possibly earn a fair salary. This involves three phases: first, find an opening; second, write a letter of application; third, sell your ability.

Vacancies are none too numerous. The great problem is to learn of the few which do occur periodically. Many musicians register in some agency which sends notification of openings, an excellent way to learn of possibilities. While fees and commissions may be high, this method is one which nearly every professional uses. One suggestion here may be helpful. While registration in an agency is often adequate it is far better to make a personal call on the manager at the outset. His recommendations are bound to be more favorable to a person he has seen. If your impression on him has been pleasant your chances are increased tremendously. Visits to the office at various times may be advantageous if you do not make a nuisance of yourself. Notification of vacancies frequently come from friends, especially those in your own profession. If you are in search of a position be sure your acquaintances know about it. It is obvious that the more friends you have the better your chances will be to learn of vacancies. I suggest this as an excellent reason to attend all your Guild meetings, if for no other.

Writing a good letter of application is most important. There are a number of books on this subject. Nearly always they have in mind a purely business letter which may be rather conventional and cold. If you can insert some of your personality into what you wish to say you may make a distinct appeal in letters to committees or ministers. Such applications should be concise, with the barest outline of your qualifications, a few references, and a statement of your fitness for this particular position—self-confident but not egotistical. Be sure to save your detailed material and copies of letters for a second letter. Don't fail to ask for an interview and enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Finally comes the interview. Here personality enters the picture. So much has been said on this subject that words here would seem unnecessary. Often your success or failure depends upon the personal appeal you make. Your professional equipment is equally important, however. My own advice to all organists is to be truly prepared to talk and to play. You must expect to answer questions regarding your handling of the choir, the place of music as an aid to worship, Sunday-school music, and even theological ideas. In your playing you must play organ pieces, hymns, and sometimes accompaniments for a singer. I believe it is most impressive if you have no music with you—that you are prepared to play at least a dozen pieces from memory. They should include some works suitable for church services of various sorts and some concert works like the Bach D-minor Toccata & Fugue

or the Vierne First Finale—in other words a sure-fire hair-raiser. This evident knowledge of your field is frequently the most convincing argument that your qualifications are unquestionably superior.

Should any of my readers be in search of a position I trust that a consideration of these three steps will be helpful.

Our Intelligent Newspapers

Example furnished by PAUL H. EICKMEYER

- My music department in the Church goes along each week doing its work, offering two fine choirs of over ninety voices each Sunday morning; Rossini's "Stabat Mater" March 1, Brahms' "Requiem" March 29. And all the publicity it ever gets is an item of a few inches buried deep in the sports or society page.

But someone suddenly discovered that all the male members of the Church staff were riding bikes, and even the minister of music gets on the front page.

What makes news? Perhaps something should be added to the music courses on how to get publicity. I read that the national anthem in A-flat is a new way to sing it successfully; we have always done it in that key—now each Sunday (since last September) after the processional hymn.

[Mr. Eickmeyer's proof? The March 22 front page of the Enquirer & News, Battle Creek, Mich., and on it a three-column picture of the sexton, organist, assistant minister, and minister lined up on their bikes, ready to go. We suggest that any organist wanting a packed house for his next musical, turn around and sock the tenor in the jaw the Sunday before or throw his soprano soloist over the gallery rail. Newspapers would find that worth reporting. He'd get a packed house.]

Conservation for Organists

By FRANK J. NURDING

- I have read T.A.O. with interest for several years and hope to continue until the Grim Reaper bends over me and presses the Cancel Piston. In view of the present emergency, may I offer a couple of suggestions which might aid in conservation of material and energy?

1. Have congregations use only four tunes for the rest of the war emergency (they don't know any more anyway). The resultant saving in hymnbooks would be tremendous.

2. Play all organ numbers A-Cappella (the finance committee would jump at this one).

3. Play all numbers in the open key disregarding all accidentals. The enormous saving of electricity and wind might help. Though I don't know who.

These ideas of mine may not be worth a darn, but Washington can at least appoint a commission to look into them.

He Likes the Army

- "I do like the army! I am having a good time, but working very hard. . . . Wish you could have been at our little chapel yesterday. We had a very nice little service with a capacity crowd. I had a hard time getting a choir together, as women had to come out from the town. The choir sang Stainer's 'God so loved the world,' which is all we could borrow. Wish I had more time to work with the music, and yet I don't know that I want to be a musician in the army. I'd rather do a really different and perhaps more challenging work, such as I am doing. I like to feel we organists can hold our own with soldiers from other professions. I have been recommended by the Colonel for officers training, much to my surprise. Hope the enemy drops a bomb on the factory, and some others too." Who is he? Where? What organbuilding factory did he name? We gotta have some fun in these dismal days, so we'll keep the answers strictly to ourselves; you won't find that factory's product named anywhere in these pages, so all surviving organbuilders can count him their friend.—ED.

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Stop tongues are grouped, left to right:
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exception of the Swell, the stops &
Tremulants are in the upper row,
couplers in the lower; in the Swell the
stops are followed by the Tremulant
and then couplers. One of the many
advantages of the modern stop tongue
console is that all stops are equally
convenient for both hands; it is par-
ticularly apparent in this example.

Left of the tongues is the indicator
for wind, right are those for register-
crescendo and full-organ.

Manual combons are in the usual
position; Nos. 1 & 2 of Pedal and
tutti are left under Swell, 3 & 4 under
Great, 5 & 6 under Choir. Tutti-cancel
is right under Choir.

"No Time to Grow Old"

• "On Sundays at our home we never know
whether we will have nine or nineteen
for dinner, so you see there is no time to grow
old," writes Richard Keys Biggs, of Blessed
Sacrament Church, Hollywood. But the real
news: "This is to announce the arrival
yesterday of our eleventh child—a girl.
Seven girls! We all expected a boy. Con-
sequently there is no name for her just now.
All the kids at home are trying to decide
this point. So I just let them fight it out.
Mrs. Biggs is fine. She will be back, direct-
ing her choir in a couple of weeks. Big
families are a blessing if people only knew
it." For the record: Little Lady Biggs was
born April 5.

Edith E. Sackett

• has been conducting Monday evening
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 Thy glory dawns, Lockwood
 **Lightly bells are pealing, Lockwood
 Jesu Priceless Treasure, Karg-Elert
 Weinberger, Last Supper
 Mount of Olives, Palestina
 Maileingreau, Praetorium Tumult
 Go to dark Gethsemane, Noble
 Bach, Some Sweet Death
 Weinberger, Abide With Us

It will be noted that some of the evening services dispense with the choirs and use only a vocal soloist, but the organ preludes in these instances are accompanied by fairly lengthy program-notes printed on the calendar. The last evening service was built on the life of Christ.

Excellent and Outstanding

• Pauline Voorhees of Center Church, New Haven, gives the following anthems from her current repertoire which she considers "excellent and outstanding":
 Bairstow, If the Lord had not helped
 Baumgartner, My King rode in
 Clokey, Let hearts awaken
 Nagle, Who are these like stars
 Nikolsky, Earth is the Lord's
 Redford, Rejoice in the Lord
 Snow, Angels roll the rock away
 D.M.C. Williams, In the beginning
 King's highway

Miss Voorhees' choir and that of Lyman Bradford Bunnell, Immanuel Congregational, Hartford, united in performing parts of Bach's "B-Minor," one Sunday afternoon in Miss Voorhees' church, the next Sunday evening in Mr. Bunnell's, each using their own soloists in their own church. Considering one of the solos too low for her soprano and too high for a contralto, Miss Voorhees transposed it up a tone and gave it to her

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Organ Music & Poetry

• Central Church, Worcester, Mass., presented Alfred W. G. Peterson organist and Rev. Pierson Penrose Harris in a Sunday afternoon hour of organ music and "readings appropriate to the Lenten season":

Widor, 6: Allegro; Adagio.

Poems: Masefield, Trial of Jesus

S.-Kennedy, Indifference

Anon., Can ye Spare Christ

Branch, Lazarus

Vierne, 1: Allegro Vivace

Dallier, Stella Matutina

Handel, Prelude & Fugue Fm

Poems: Kagawa, Tears

Farrow, Ultimatum Expires Midnight

Clark, God's Dreams

S.-Kennedy, Faith

Rowley, Benedictus

Franck, Piece Heroique

Music Clubs Festival Service

• Grace Leeds Darnell directed an April 19 festival service sung by eight choirs in St. Mary's-in-the-Garden, New York, for the N.Y. Federation of Music Clubs; the anthems were:

Handel, Angels ever bright

Handel, O lovely peace

Mendelssohn, Lift thine eyes

Woodward, Radiant morn

Mountain Goes to Mohammed

• Since the people wouldn't go to church the church went to the people on Easter Sunday afternoon in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City, when Warren Foley of Blessed Sacrament took his choir there for a program of Easter music.

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• gave Red Cross benefit recitals March 27 in Lynbrook, N.Y., and April 19 in Brooklyn, local Red Cross chapters receiving the full proceeds; the list of Brooklyn subscribers was completed four weeks ahead of the recital.

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Unless a program has special character as elsewhere defined it can be published in T.A.O. only when received in time for advance publication; closing date is 14th or 15th of month prior to date of playing.

- PVT. CHARLES F. BOEHM
Trinity Lutheran, Newport News
May 3, 4:00
Spence, Grand Choeur
Bach, Sinfonia
Clokey, Pastorale
Handel, Largo
Trad., Londonderry Air
Rogers, Intermezzo
Kirnberger, Salvation Unto Us
Brahms, Lovely Rose is Blooming
Lacey, Serenade
Bach, Prelude & Fugue Em
- JOHN S. GRIDLEY
First Presbyterian, Cumberland, Md.
May 5, 8:00
Complete-Bach Series, No. 4
The Six Sonatas (played in order)
- EDWIN ARTHUR KRAFT
Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland
May 4, 8:15
*Bach, Prelude Em
Mozart, Violin-Sonata Adagio
Weitz, In Paradisum
Dethier-j, Andante Grazioso
Dallier, Electa ut Sol
Bairstow, Evening Song
Johnson, Elfenlantz
Mulet, Carillon-Sortie; Chant Funebre;
Thou Art the Rock.
Lake Erie College, Painesville
May 6, 7:45
*Bach, Prelude Bm
C.P.E. Bach, Menuett
Mozart, Violin-Sonata Adagio
Bairstow, Evening Song
Guilmant, Fugue D
Macfarlane, Evening Bells
Foote, Pastorale
Guilmant, Son. 5: Scherzo
Schubert, Ave Maria
Mulet, Thou Art the Rock
These programs conclude Mr. Kraft's series in both places.
- CLAUDE L. MURPHREE
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May 3, 4:00, *Organ & Piano*
Haydn's Concerto D
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May 17 six of his organ pupils will play a program.

- ARTHUR W. QUIMBY
Museum of Art, Cleveland
May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 5:15
Bach, Prelude & Fugue Am
Couperin, Benedictus
Vierne, 2: Scherzo
Franck, Chorale 3
- DR. ELMER A. TIDMARSH
Union College, Schenectady, N.Y.
May 10, *Baccalaureate Service*
Widor, 6: Allegro; Intermezzo; Finale.
Guilmant, Caprice
Massenet, Thais Meditation
Franck, Finale
o-p. Grieg's Concerto Gm
- GEORGE WM. VOLKEL
Emmanuel Baptist, Brooklyn
May 11, 8:30
Handel's Concerto 10
Arne, Siciliana; Gig.
Bach, Sheep May Safely; Passacaglia.
Palmgren, May Night
Mozart, Fantasia Fm
Schumann, Evansong
Bach, Fantasia & Fugue

- CARL WEINRICH
First Congregational, Naugatuck, Conn.

May 17 (hour not named)
Buxtehude, Prelude-Fugue-Chaconne
How Brightly Shines
Mozart, Andante F
Bach, Toccata-Adagio-Fugue C
Franck, Cantabile
Vierne, Scherzetto
Mason, Arise Arise
Jepson, Pantomime
Karg-Elert, Mirrored Moon
Handel's Concerto 10
Danville, Va.

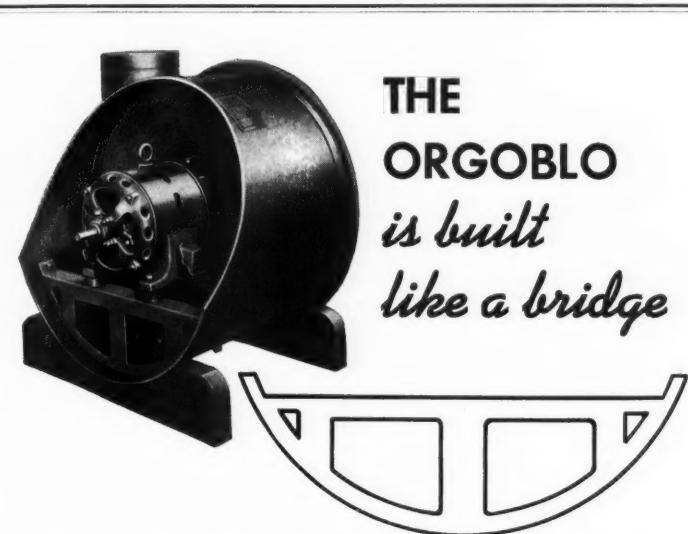
- Mt. Vernon Methodist Church used its 3-33 Austin for the first time at the Easter services; stoplist in later columns.

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- Effective April 6 the Mormon Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, Utah, was closed to the public for the duration of the war.

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Confined to programs of special character or given by those who have made their names nationally important. This column closes on the first day of each month

- *RICHARD KEYS BIGGS
Blessed Sacrament, Hollywood
Bach, Toccata & Fugue Dm
Couperin, Soeur Monique
Saint-Saens, Improvisation
Deluge Prelude
Vierne, Carillon
Mendelssohn, Choral; Andante; Recitative.
Franck, Piece Heroique
Reger, Benedictus
Bach, Air
Elgar, Pomp & Circumstance
- WALTER W. FELTON
St. Stephen's, Harrisburg
Weinberger, Abide With Us
Davies, Solemn Melody
Bach, O Man Bewail
Weinberger, Last Supper*
Brahms, Passion Chorale
Handel, Con.10: Adagio; Allegro.
Fibich, Paradise
Bach, We All Believe
- *VIRGIL FOX
Fountain St. Baptist, Grand Rapids
Campra, Rigaudon
Bach, Fugue a la Gigue;
Come Sweet Death; Passacaglia.
Bossi, Giga
McAmis, Dreams
Reber, How Brightly Shines
Middelschulte, Perpetuum Mobile
Bennett, Allegretto Grazioso
Dupre, Prelude & Fugue Gm
- ALFRED C. KUSCHWA
St. Stephen's, Harrisburg
*Bach, Passacaglia
Mueller, Laudamus Te
Franck, Chorale E
Ferrata, Nocturne*
Karg-Elert, Before the Image
Becker, Son.2: Finale
*duMage, Grand-Jeu
Baldwin, Song of the Brook
Karg-Elert, Lord My Heart
The Last Supper, Forsyth
Malling, Getsemane
He was crucified, Bach
Beloved Jesus, Crueger
Beneath the Cross, Berwald
King, Evening Hymn

Mr. Kuschwa's choir participated in the second program, last of the Lenten series of six programs.

- *THOMAS H. WEBBER
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Dedication Program
- *Faulkes, Concert Prelude & Fugue
Karg-Elert, From Depths of my Heart
Bach, Lord Hear the Voice

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Rameau, The Hen
Handel, Largo
Chopin, Etude Am
Thiele, Theme & Variations
Schubert, Ave Maria
Bonnet, Intermezzo
Russell-j, Bells of St. Anne
Vierne, 6: Finale

In addition to some of the above numbers Mr. Webber included the following in three programs in Memphis, Birmingham, and Little Rock:
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Griffes, White Peacock
Korsakov, Bumble-Bee
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Boex, Marche Champetre
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Vierne, Lied; Carillon.
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Bach, Prelude & Fugue Cm
All Praise to Thee
Come Savior of the Heathen
Prelude & Fugue Dm
Bebe Hoffman
Bach, I Call To Thee
Prelude & Fugue F
Hark a Voice Saith
Prelude & Fugue C
Mr. Hedgepath and Miss Hoffman shared the same program.

- DR. DAVID MCK. WILLIAMS
St. Bartholomew's, New York
*Chausson, Common of Saints
Weitz 'symphony'
Palmer, Choral & Fugetta
Widor, 7: Moderato; Lento; Finale.
Parry, Eventide Choralprelude
*Buxtehude, Prelude-Fugue-Chaconne
Bach, I Cry to Thee; Kyrie; O Man Bemoan.
Vierne, 6: Allegro; Aria; Final.
Elgar, Son. G: Adagio
Parry, Martyrdom Choralprelude
- FRED WILLIAMS
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Purcell, Prelude
Hann, Ein Feste Burg
Bach, Canzona Dm
Reger, Four Choralpreludes
Vierne, Minuet
Williams, Rosymedre
Farnam, Toccata
- JULIAN R. WILLIAMS
University of Pittsburgh

Handel, Occasional Overture
Bach, Prelude Em
Toccata-Adagio-Fugue C
Franck, Fantaisie C*
Maleingreau, Praetorium Tumult
Edmundson's Seven Polyphonic Preludes*
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• Ann Arbor, Mich.: 6 to 9, 49th annual May Festival, University of Michigan.

Bethlehem, Pa.: 15, 4:00, 35th annual Bach Festival, Ifor Jones conductor, Dr. T. Edgar Shields organist, "There Uprose a Great Strife," "Come Jesu Come," "Beautify Thyself My Spirit"; 8:30, Part 4 of "Christmas Oratorio," "We Must Through Great Tribulation," "Magnificat"; 16, 2:30 and 5:00, "B-Minor Mass."

Cleveland: 6, 8:15, Walter Blodgett recital, Cleveland Museum of Art: 15, 8:15, program of contemporary music and dances.

Mt. Vernon, N.Y.: 3, evening, choir festival, Chester Hill Methodist, Dr. Clarence Dickinson conducting; program on April page 125.

New York: 24, 8:00, George Wm. Volkel gives Mendelssohn's "St. Paul," Emmanuel Baptist, Brooklyn.

Redlands, Calif.: 2 & 3, 4:00, concluding events in Franck festival, University of Redlands, Leslie P. Spelman directing.

Warren, Pa.: 3, 4:00, Marcus Naylor recital, First Presbyterian, Wagner program.

Washington, D.C.: 19, Mt. Vernon Place Methodist, Choirmasters Club, hymns & hymn singing, "technics for chorus and congregational singing, hymn statistics of Washington churches," W. E. Braithwaite presiding.

Baltimore, Md., Festival

• May 5 & 6 in Brown Memorial Church, W. Richard Weagly choirmaster and Virgil Fox organist will present their second annual church-music festival:

5, 3:00, Address, Music & Spirit.

5, 4:00, Hugh McAmis organ recital.

5, 8:15, Julius Huehn song recital.

6, 3:00, Illustrated lecture, The Cathedrals of England, Philip Noble.

6, 4:00, Dr. Clarence Dickinson organ recital.

6, 8:15, Handel's "Samson."

Mr. McAmis' program: Marcello, Psalm 19

Avison's Concerto D

Bach, Son. 3: Adagio

Prelude & Fugue Bm

Vivet, Absoute

Loeillet, Aria

Satie's "Messe des Pauvres" (for choir and two organs)

Berea, Ohio, Festival

• May 22 & 23, Baldwin-Wallace Conservatory, tenth annual Bach festival:

22, 4:00 & 8:30:

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Olin Downes lecture on Bach

Motet, "O Praise the Lord"

*Cantata, "Praise to God on High"

Piano Concerto Fm

Cantata, "Thou Shepherd Bountiful"

Cantata, "Now Has the Hope & Strength"

23, 4:00 & 8:30, "Christmas Oratorio"

Robert Elmore

• May 9 Mt. Elmore's Camden Choral Club sings in the Chapel, Princeton University, and May 12 in the North Baptist, Camden.

May 10 his choir in Holy Trinity gives Philip James' "Light of God," the Composer to be present to hear it for the first time. May 17 he concludes his Holy Trinity musicales with Liszt's "Psalm 13."

May 23 he directs a performance of his opera "It Began at Breakfast" for the Philadelphia A.G.O.'s annual meeting.

May 13 & 14 he will again be guest organist for the annual festival, Sunbury, Pa.

Mr. Elmore's Valley Forge was again performed over WNYC and his Three Colors was given April 16 by the Mozart Sinfonietta in New York.

Guilmant Organ School

• June 2 at 8:15 celebrates its 41st commencement in the First Presbyterian Church, New York, under the direction of Willard Irving Nevins.

Carl Weinrich

• has been appointed for the 1942-3 season one of the artists on the concert project of the Association of American Colleges, in which capacity he will make two-day visits to colleges throughout the country, playing a formal recital as well as giving several shorter informal programs. Mr. Weinrich, under LaBerge Management, was chosen "because of his wide knowledge of the repertoire of his instrument, as well as his ability to tie in his art with other branches of culture."

May 17 he will end his spring tour by playing a return engagement in the First Congregational, Naugatuck, Conn. And on May 21 he will play in the Bach concert with the Cantata Singers, New York.

June 8 he begins a master-class for organists, in Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa., and June 22 begins a joint choral and organ course with Federal Whittlesey in the Church of the Covenant, Erie, Pa. Other classes are pending, for later announcement.

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Church Tithes for Humanity

• The Baptist Temple, Philadelphia, has voted to give a tenth of its annual budget to humanitarian phases of the war effort—the purchase of an ambulance, and increasing gifts to the Red Cross, Christian Endeavor work in army & navy, etc.

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McCollum, Song of Wanderlust

ar. Burleigh, Ezekiel saw de wheel

Kountz, Prayer

Grieg, Behold a host

Christiansen, Praise to the Lord

ar. Clokey, He's gone away

ar. Cain, Ole ark's a-moverin'

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Bach, Let all creatures now adore

Tchaikovsky, O Thou from Whom

Shaw, Gloria

Sibelius, Cross of Sorrow

Rachmaninoff, Glory to the Trinity

McDonald's Pioneers O Pioneers

Still, Rising Tide

Reed, I hear America singing

Russian, Fireflies

Matthews, Call of America

Mr. Elmore in addition to directing the Club in the above played the following piano solos:

MacDowell, Sonata Tragica excerpts

Clarke, An Ayre

Stravinsky, Etude Fsm

Ravel, Rigaudon

Scriabine, Prelude for Left Hand

Triggs, Personage Throwing a Stone

Moussorgsky, Chicks

Strauss, Fleidermaus Symphonic Paraphrase

Cantatas & Oratorios

• Bach's "Bide With Us" was given April 3 by Robert Baker in the First Presbyterian, Brooklyn.

Bach's "St. Matthew" was given March 29 by Adolph Steuterman in Calvary Church, Memphis, his third annual performance and the 48th in his series of oratorio presentations with organ & orchestra.

Coleridge-Taylor's "Atonement" was given Feb. 22 and March 8 by Charles Allen Rebstock, Covenant Presbyterian, Cleveland.

Willard Irving Nevins conducts a Saturday column in the New York Sun wherein are listed the programs and activities of church organists; in that column for the week beginning with Palm Sunday 43 performances of the following 15 works were listed:

Bach, Bide With Us

Christ Lay in Death's Dark Prison

St. John Passion

St. Matthew Passion (4)

Brahms, Requiem

Dubois, Seven Last Words (4)

Faure, Requiem

Gounod, Messe Solennelle

Handel, The Messiah

Haydn, Seven Last Words

Matthews, Life Everlasting

Mauder, Olivet to Calvary (5)

Moore, Darkest Hour (3)

Rossini, Stabat Mater

Stainer, The Crucifixion (17)

The list represents chiefly New York City with a few of the suburbs; though surprisingly large it is not all-inclusive.

Another Helping Hand

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T.A.O. SPECIFICATIONS

V-VOICE: An entity of tone under one control, one or more ranks of pipes.

S-RANK: A set of pipes.

S-STOP: Console mechanism controlling Voices, Borrow, extensions, etc.

B-BORROW: A second use of any rank of pipes (Percussion excluded).

P-PIPES: Percussion not included.

DIVISIONS

A—Accompaniment	h—harmonic
B—Bombard	h—high C*
C—Choir	l—languid
D—Antiphonal	m—metal
E—Echo	m—middle C*
F—Fanfare	o—open
G—Great	pf—prepared for reeds
H—Harmonic	rs—repeat stroke
I—Celestial	2r—two rank, etc.
L—Solo	s—scale
N—String	s—sharp
O—Orchestral	s—spotted metal
P—Pedal	s—stopped
R—Gregorian	sb—stopped bass
S—Swell	ss—single stroke
T—Trombone	t—tapered to tin
U—Rueckpositiv	t—tin
V—Positiv	t—triple
Y—Sanctuary	te—tenor C*
VARIOUS	u—cut-up
h—bars	u—upper C*
b—bearded	unx—unexpressive
b—brass	w—wind-pressure
bc—bottom C*	w—wood
c—copper	wm—wood & met.
cc—cres. chamber	z—zinc
d—double	—wind pressure
f—flat	—diam. of pipe
fr—free reed	—pitch of lowest pipe in the rank

SCALES, ETC.

4.12x5.14—Size of wood pipe in 16th-inch fractions, thus 4 12/16 x 5 14/16, or 4 3/4 x 5 7/8.

14"—Diameter of cylindrical pipe.

41—Scale number.

42b—Based on No. 42 scale.

46-42—46-scale at mouth, 42 at top.

2/3t—Tapered to make top diameter 2/3rd that of the mouth diameter.

2/9m—Mouth-width covers 2/9th of circumference of pipe.

1/4u—Mouth cut-up is 1/4th.

17h—Scaled to halve on the 17th note.

Dynamics indicated from ppp to fff.

Order in which details are listed: Dynamic strength, wind-pressure, scale, details, number of pipes.

b, t, m, u, h refer to any specified notes in the bottom, tenor, middle, upper, and high octaves of the keyboard; top C is still above the high octave but need not be considered here; each octave begins on C and ends on B. C-C'-C''-C'''-C''''-C'''''-C''''''-C'''''''.

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